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Letter from Margaret Whitney Pratt, New York,
New York, to Anne Whitney, Boston,
Massachusetts, 1903 October 10

Margaret Whitney Pratt

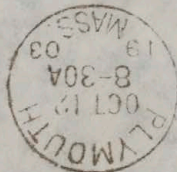
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Miss Anne Whitney.
Plymouth
Mass.

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on the organ and things damaged
in the Guild Hall has all
been settled most satisfactorily.
The work of rebuilding will
be begun just as soon as
the Committee get the insurance
and perhaps by January.
We can get back into our
basement Guild Hall.

We have had tremendous
rain storms and great dam-
age I see by the papers all
through the country. It began
here Thursday and cleared
with high winds yesterday
afternoon. Today has been
cold and most dreary. Such
heavy leaden sky, and now
this Saturday evening after

Saturday Evening
Oct 10th 1903

MB

Dear Aunt Anne.

Here's to your
dear self! May you live
long and prosper. I send
my loving thanks to you
for your dear letter with
its cheering words and for
your generous rally to
our rescue in time of mis-
fortune. It does seem rather
hard to think of all the
time and dollars gone to
ashes in one short hour &
that once again the kind

hands and generous hearts
open their purse strings and
make the offerings and pledges
all over again - for the re-
building of our Church.

Oh it was a cruel blow, but
if the loyal flock are ready
to start on the up grade again
we surely must have courage
to lead the way. We only have
to live one day at a time, so
what matters it as long as
the work is ennobling. And
to be interested for some good
end, makes life worth the
living, so up we go again
and at it! I really do hope
however, that we shall
live to see some consumma-

tion of our hopes and energies.
We start our services tomorrow
in Empire Hall - a dancing acad-
emy on 11th St quite near
the elevated station - There will
be only one morning service
at eleven o'clock, and the
Sunday School in the afternoon.
We will not have any of
our usual Church "appoint-
ments" there only a plain clothes
service so to speak - We tried
the Crypt two Sundays, but the
Parish wish to be independent
and keep in our own neigh-
borhood. The insurance for
the Church building has not
been adjusted yet and we are
impatiently waiting. The insurance

dinner we had another driving
rain, but I find by looking out
on the Court, it has stopped and
the wind is **MB** blowing hard.
I should like **MB** to see your
grand bay during this storm, there
must be some white caps.

I had a long letter from Molly
this morning with some of the
home news. She gave me a
most cordial invitation to visit
them this winter after Christmas.
She is so anxious to have me
come, she wants me to see Louise.
She says "she is a beautiful girl
even if she does say so" and has
a great deal of attention and is
a great favorite. I am quite sure
it is so, as she promised to
be most attractive. Molly
reports Frank in excellent
health and that he weighs

"One hundred and two -" They have
just put their old house (the one
that belonged to Mrs Store) in
good shape to rent and are hoping
for a winter tenant - I would
like to go to Santa Barbara for
a short visit towards spring &
will see later - but this is only
visionary - I believe Emma & Emily
are going this winter - that might
influence me - Emily's fiancée
Mr Loomis (is that a masculine
noun?) is going to California
for his health - and that would be
the inducement for their trip -
At last accounts Harriet was
progressing slowly and sitting up
for a short time - Minnie Jacques
made us a call ^{this} last week, looking
remarkably well - She & I were
to dine with Herbert & Jessie -
George is to take the Hospital
services for a few weeks and is
busy as usual with parish duties
With love to you & yours and the
cousins on the hill - Lovingly Maggie